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SUBJECT: COCOM CRITERIA

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U.S. POSITION FOR MARCH 2-3 BILATERAL DISCUSSION WITH U.K.
ON COCOM CRITERIA IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. MAIN THRUST OF U.S. EFFORT SHOULD BE TO SEEK U.K.
INTERPRETATION OF U.K. PROPOSALS TO AMEND COCOM CRITERIA
FOR LIST REVIEWS AND FOR EXCEPTIONS ALONG LINES JANUARY 11
GEIMER TO BRIDGES LETTER.

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2. U.S. BELIEVES AMENDMENT OF EXCEPTIONS PROCEDURES TO
INTRODUCE CONCEPT OF SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECT ON SECURITY
IS UNSOUND BECAUSE FEW IF ANY INDIVIDUAL TRANSACTIONS WOULD
BY THEMSELVES HAVE SUCH EFFECT.

3. U.S. CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBILITY OF STRENGTHENING CON-
TROLS ON TECHNOLOGY AND RELAXING CONTROLS ON PRODUCTS HAS

NOT PROCEEDED FAR ENOUGH TO PERMIT JUDGMENT TO BE MADE AS
HOW EXTENSIVE A RELAXATION ON PRODUCT CONTROLS MIGHT RESULT.

4. U.K. PROPOSED TECHNOLOGY GAP CRITERION FOR LIST REVIEWS
AND EXCEPTIONS IMPLIES THAT COCOM SHOULD REVIEW PROPOSED
TRANSFERS OF STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGY. IN 1968 AND 1969
UKDEL STATED THAT THE NEED WAS NOT DEMONSTRATED FOR UNI-
LATERAL UK CONTROLS ON UNCLASSIFIED TECHNOLOGY NOR FOR
COCOM REVIEW OF EXPORTS OF TECHNOLOGY UNACCOMPANIED BY
PRODUCTS. U.S. SHOULD PRESS UK TO REVISE THOSE 1968
AND 1969 POSITIONS.

5. U.S. SHOULD ASK WHETHER UK WOULD PREFER THAT NEXT LIST
REVIEW COVER ALL ITEMS AS IN PAST (IN WHICH CASE U.S. WOULD
NOT BE READY UNTIL THE FALL OF 1978 AT THE EARLIEST) OR
ONLY A SEGMENT OF THE LIST (IN WHICH CASE U.S. MIGHT BE
READY SOMEWHAT EARLIER TO REVIEW INSTRUMENTATION, TELECOM-
MUNICATIONS, COMPUTERS, AND ITEMS LEFT OVER FROM LAST
REVIEW--1355, 1362, 1460--WITH OTHER ITEMS BEING PUT OFF
UNTIL LATE 1978 OR 1979).

6. AGREEMENT ON REVISED LIST REVIEW PROCEDURES SHOULD BE
SOUGHT, IF NOT ACHIEVED ALREADY IN PARIS.
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